



VIBRATIONS

THE OWASIPPE STAFF ASSOCIATION

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PIZZA NIGHT



Autumn heralds a time for fellowship... a time to carve the turkey and pass the pizza? HEY! The 2nd Annual Pizza Night will be on Friday, November 27, at the Swedish American Recreation Club, 3541 No. Clark in Chicago ($\frac{1}{2}$ block south of Wrigley Field).

The cost is \$5 per person which will cover the expense of the hall and the pizzas. A cash bar will be available from 7:30 PM to 11:30 PM. Some slides of past events will be shown and maybe there'll even be some time for a few camp songs.

JOIN THE FUN

Mark your calendar and be ready to enjoy good food and friends! As a matter of fact, ask a friend along. Attendance is by reservation only...deadline is November 25, so don't delay! Use the slip below to make your reservation. A map will be mailed with the confirmation. If there are any questions, call the chairman, Mike Schlagel, 460-4337.

What better way to enjoy the holiday weekend? We hope to see you there!

JEWEL

SHOP & SHARE

NOVEMBER 9-10-11!

Don't forget to set aside these days for your shopping and help the cause! This benefit will help make the camp shower(s) a reality for the summer of

'82! Additional shopping certificates can be picked up at the Boy Scout Trading Post at 128 So. Franklin in downtown Chicago. See page 2 for further project details.

Board Members Sought

Nominations are open for the OSA Board of Directors. Three positions, each carrying a three-year term, need to be filled on the Board which is a committee of nine. Nominations must be submitted in writing by another member no later than February 6, 1982, to PO Box 97, Westchester, IL, 60153. Only staff members may run for office. Any questions regarding the nomination/election process can be directed to that committee's chairman, Chuck Nagel, by calling 562-7073. The February issue of "Vibrations" will list the candidates for election and their qualifications.



STAMPS FOR CAMP

S&H Green Stamps will again be collected by the OSA through mid-June to purchase needed program and/or maintenance equipment for the camping properties. Donations of stamps should be forwarded to our PO Box, brought to our activities or dropped-off at the Chicago Area Council Service Center.

PLEASE NOTE: EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 1, THE CHICAGO AREA COUNCIL SERVICE CENTER WILL BE AT 730 W. LAKE STREET, CHICAGO...559-0990!

CONSTRUCTION BEGINS!

Within just three months after the Board of Directors gave the go-ahead for the OSA to build at least one shower house for Owasippe, the realization of that goal is well under way. In that short period of time, the Association has raised a little more than \$800 from member donations alone! That small accomplishment enabled us to authorize the reservation's head ranger, Ed Hoolehan, to contract for the foundation to be poured.

This, along with the rough plumbing, was done about mid-October at Camp Wolverine. Just after that, 2-75 gallon hot water tanks were purchased for \$280...a buy that just could not be postponed. They will be kept in storage at Owasippe until installation in the Spring. Our thanks go to Don Studaven ranger at Camp Kiwanis, for picking up and delivering the water tanks.

SHOWERS:

Yes, we can!



If another \$1500 could be raised by November 15, the septic system could be installed before the "big freeze" comes. We're hopeful for this as donations continue to come in and the Jewel Shop 'N Share Days will take place on November 9-10-11. Jewel will donate 5% of each validated purchase to the OSA! Individual donations to the OSA, just as membership dues, are fully tax deductible...an important point to remember for many as 1981 draws to a close.

MEMBERSHIP POTPOURRI...

First and foremost...it's time to renew your registration for 1982 if you have not already done so! A simple way to check is to pull out your present OSA ID card and look at the effective date. \$5 is still the annual registration fee to take care of our mailings, printed materials and other administrative costs. Why not consider signing-up for several years in advance or for life? A registration slip is on the back page of this newsletter.

Presently, there are 205 actively registered members in the OSA of which 59 are already "booked" for 1982! Of those, 15 are Life Members. We have also accumulated a "hit list" of 186 prospective members with verified addresses. Anyone having any questions regarding registration, referrals or anything relative to membership should direct their inquiries to the committee chairman, Pat Monahan, at 429-2584.

BIENVENIDA, WILLKOMMEN, WITAMY, WELCOME!!!

17 individuals have recently joined our ranks, and we would like to happily announce their memberships:

Ed Brown, Jr.	Kevin O'Reilly
Mike Campbell	Mary Kaye O'Reilly
Bob Dorneker	Nancy O'Reilly

A message from the president

by Jack "Tiny" Norman

On the weekend of October 9, I along with Gordon Stiefel and Ron & Marilyn Kulak visited Owasippe for the Camp Development and Properties Committee's post-camp inspection. While there, we witnessed the forest exploding with a magnificent array of Autumn colors. If you ever have a chance to be at camp during the 2nd or 3rd weekend of October, you'll be awed by Mother Nature's spectacular display. It all proved to be a pleasant backdrop for our tour of the facilities with Ed Hoolehan, Head Ranger, and Steve Horvath, the committee's chairman.

Things seem to be in fairly good shape but, as we all know, there is always more work to be done. The roads seem to be in the worst shape ever because of the unusual wet weather beating on the camp this Fall. We went on a jeep tour of logging sites and observed, first hand, the removal of chain-sawed tops and branches. While on-the-road, we were shown the Head Ranger's proposed site for the new Sauger Lake dining hall which we thought was a fine location. We also reviewed the winterizing and redecorating being done to the staff village cabins which we hope will attract more use year 'round and cut down on the large heating expense.



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On June 4-6, 1982, is the 3rd Chicago Area Council Camporall at Hoover Scout Reservation in Yorkville, Illinois. We have been asked to help with this tremendous outdoor exhibit of Scouting by managing traffic and helping with

logistics when needed. At the past two Camporalls, the traffic control left a lot to be desired. This isn't a task for 10 to 20. A more adequate number is 30-50 to effectively handle the large number of people and vehicles. Friday and Sunday of that weekend are the busiest days where help is most critical. Please reserve these dates and seriously consider lending a hand. Food and housing will be provided for those wishing to stay and work the weekend.

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Some "Thank-Yous" are in order from the OSA. THANKS to Joe Sener and Bob Bavirsha for their expert contributions to the "Showers For Kids" project! THANKS to Scout Executive Ed Jacobs for showing his appreciation for our work in the October issue of the "Scouter"! THANKS to those special volunteers who travel to camp to put in countless hours of unselfish service toward the betterment of the camp's facilities! THANKS+ to those who have made donations to our shower project and to those who will be contributing shortly! That project is an objective we all should strive to accomplish!

MEMBERSHIP, continued:

MMB (Missing Membership Bureau):

The following members have moved and left no forwarding address. If you know of their whereabouts, please write us or call the membership chairman, Pat Monahan:

Paul Chapman
Al Czyzewski
Roger Haas

Lifetime Membership has become more popular as our rolls have expanded along with the significance of the Association. The only special pre-requisite for this particular membership, outside of our other requirements, is the one-time fee of \$100. These members, aside from not having to bother with re-registration again, are also presented with a special membership plaque. "Lifers", with their dues, also become a part of a special group which becomes more fiscally helpful to the OSA. Their dues are deposited in the Association's money market fund where they earn a much higher interest rate (presently averaging 16.39%). This fund sends a check for the interest earned to the OSA each month which is then used for operating expenses. So, instead of receiving an annual \$5 in re-registration from each of our "Lifers", the OSA gets approximately \$16.39 per year in interest on behalf of each of their \$100 fees.



The OSA would like to congratulate the following exceptional 1981 Owasippe Staff who were selected by their peers as the "Staff Of The Year":

Wolverine.....Mike Nelson
 Blackhawk.....Jim Winters
 Robert Crown.....Bill Janis
 Reneker.....Gale Zallis
 CIT.....Paul Horvath
 Reservation.....Ed Kinnerk*

* Ed, who wrote the new song, "It Must Be Owasippe", was Asst. Camp Director of Wolverine and was credited with saving the life of an individual at camp who had stopped breathing.

While kudos are still in order, let us not forget the fine job Bill Schaefer did in promoting the Staff Association this summer and in acting as our summer "ambassador of good will". Thanks for a job well done and for your steady support!

Owasippe camping is on the rebound! 4,992 Scouts attended Owasippe in 1981...588 more than 1980, a 14% increase (10% Chicago and 4% Out-of-Council). This represents 398 troops ...25 more units than in 1980! Camp Akela, a 3-day experience for Webelos, also accelerated in popularity as 168 participated...a 23% increase over 1980. Only 93 Explorers camped at Owasippe, however this was a 158% increase over 1980's attendance.

HELP WANTED...Applications are now being accepted for the 1982 Owasippe Summer Camp Staff. Positions for Camp Director, Commissioner, Aquatic Director and Field Sports Director are the most critical slots to be filled! The term will include 7 weeks of program and one initial training and development week. Those interested should contact the CAC Camping Service for an application ASAP by calling 782-3990 or by writing to

300 W. Adams, Chicago, Ill., 60606. First interviews have been tentatively set for the Thanksgiving weekend. So, if you are interested, don't delay!

As reported in our August edition of "Vibrations", a new dining hall will be built in 1982 for the resurrected Camp Sauger Lake ("Over All") which has laid dormant since 1974. This facility will be 76 feet long and 35 feet wide...closely resembling the building style of the dining hall at old Camp West. The recommended location is across and about 100 yards down the service road from the camp lodge. Bids are out on several designs to three developers.



(Canoeing up the East Fork of Cleveland Creek)

Recently, the Council Camp Development and Properties Committee voted to adjust various usage fees at all the camping facilities effective January 1, 1982. Some of these changes are as follows:

- The weekly camper fee at Owasippe will increase from \$59 to \$63;
- The extra leader fee and lone troop food fee will be raised from \$34 to \$38 per person per week;
- The weekly cabin fee at Camp Reneker for the summer will go up to \$75 from \$65..

with the addition of an extra night charge of \$25. The refundable key deposit will increase from \$10 to \$25 per cabin;

- "Off-Season" fees for cabin rentals at Owasispe are now \$30 per cabin per night at Staff Village and \$20 per cabin per night at Camp Reneker...a \$5 increase over 1981 in both instances. The Owasispe (Guest) Lodge will continue to be rented at the same fee of \$35 per night;
- At Hoover Scout Reservation, the Hoover Lodge rental will go up to \$50 per weekend vs. \$40 previously and the newest cabin will be rented for \$40/weekend;
- Canoe rentals at Hoover will be reduced from \$12 to \$7.50 per canoe per 24-hr. period (\$12 for 48 hrs). Canoe trailer rentals will go down by \$5 to \$10 (from dawn to dusk) and \$15 for the weekend.

The rationale presented for the above fee adjustments were anticipation of a 12-14% increase in summer food costs, an increase in the cost of program materials, an expected 6% increase in busing fees, as well as a 1981 - 11% deficit in the summer operation of Camp Reneker (Family Camp). Neither a current fiscal report on the '81 camping operations nor a full budget for 1982 have yet to be disclosed.

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The reservation's White River acreage in Oceana County was formally sold recently to the US Department of Agriculture (Manistee National Forest) for \$525,000. About \$12000 was spent on various closing charges with the remainder reportedly invested in a short-term, high-yielding bank security. The interest generated by this fund is to be used exclusively for camping with 50% allocated to maintenance and 50% to camperships. As a result of selling these 1565 acres, the camp is released of a large and increasing tax liability while still maintaining use of the land for program. Additionally, the Owasispe Lake property (west of Automobile Road) has also been offered for sale to the US Forestry Service, but that may be delayed for quite a while due to Reaganomics and USDA policy.

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Permit logging has resumed on the reservation. Locations are spotted by the rangers away from the campsites. Current operations center around Hyde Park Road on the camp's western boundary. Only oak 18 inches in diameter or better are taken. Logging is done under close supervision on a selective

(not "clear cut") basis and has proved to be a good income supplement for the camping program in past years. The reservation has also been able to get milled its own timber for year 'round carpentry projects. Aside from the material benefit, the forest receives a necessary thinning which provides more light and growing space for smaller hardwoods and the remaining strands of pine.

Once the logger has taken out his timber, permits are issued to individuals to scavenge the "tops" and branches for firewood. Through this means, the area gets relatively cleaned, and the reservation receives one load of firewood for every two taken.

Some logging mishaps have occurred in the past at such scenic areas as Sherwood Forest, The Jungle, and sections of the Blue Trail, however measures have reportedly been taken to remove unethical lumbermen and to more intelligently inspect and spot future logging sites. No estimate of termination has been quoted, but Jim Chandler, Director of Camping, has stated that Owasispe is now close to being adequately logged. When this "saturation point" has been reached, a period of regrowth must occur before a similar operation can be considered. Obviously, ecological consequences take precedence over any economic consideration.

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Scouting

Let's keep Scouting
going stronger than ever...



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The Chicago Area Council has collected half the funds (about \$2500) from numerous donations for the moving and renovating of the E. Urner Goodman (Owasispe) Museum. The project will not be undertaken until all needed monies have been collected. Anyone interested in contributing should contact the Chicago Area Council directly.

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"The simple realization that there are other points of view is the beginning of wisdom. Understanding what they are is a great step. The final test is understanding why they are held." ...Charles M. Campbell

It's time we all went on an energy diet.

HEY, LET'S TALK TURKEY!



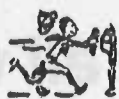
THE GALLOPING GRAPEVINE

Per Carl "The Hook" Young: "Isn't it comforting to know that, when a suitable animal was being chosen as our nation's symbol, Benjamin Franklin's 1st choice was supplanted by the Eagle? If his pick had been the one selected, Eagle Scouts would instead be referred to as 'Turkey Scouts'!"

The 3rd Annual Picnic on August 30th at Evans Field near Elmwood Park was a resounding success! Nearly 250 members, their friends and families attended and had a super time amidst great weather. As usual, the theme was fellowship. The picnic had more organized events than in the past as people participated in softball, football, volleyball, horseshoes, water-balloon toss, raw egg toss, and, the old standby, jawboning. Gail "The Clown" was a big hit as she handed out toys and candy to the kids but had difficulty keeping her nose in place. Congratulations to Pat Monahan and his helpers for a job well done!

Congrats to Jim Chandler, Director of Camping, who was presented with the Distinguished Service Award by the Order of the Arrow in August at their National Conference in Austin, Texas. This award is given to those Arrowmen who exhibit exceptional service over a period of time on a sectional, area, region or national level. Jim has been a professional Scouter since 1968, however he has been active with the "Arrow" on a regional/national basis since 1961. He presently oversees the operation, development and promotion of the Chicago camps and is the professional advisor to O/A Owasippe Lodge #7. Mr. Chandler holds a Master of Arts degree from Michigan State Univ.

► BEFORE THE HOLIDAY RUSH...



Mail Your Application Today!

Anyone interested in discussing the operation of the Chicago Area Council with the Scout Executive and other members of his executive staff will have an opportunity to do so on three consecutive dates in December:

- 12/1 at St Viator's, 4140 W. Addison,
- 12/2 at the new Council Service Center, 730 W. Lake, or
- 12/3 at Holy Name of Mary School, 1425 W. 112 Street

All three "Town Meetings" will begin at 7 PM.

Jim Marshall, author of the Fort Dearborn Trails, Owasippe Scout Reservation map and the Rugged Road Programs will appear on the "Odyssey" television program on WTTW, Channel 11, in Chicago on November 10 to talk about his research, surveying and charting of prehistoric Indian earthworks in Ohio. Consult your local listings for exact times and stations for this PBS broadcast.

In September, Bill Lotter and Phil Niziol entertained about 150 people who attended the annual Silver Beaver Reunion which was held at Johnny Weigelt's Hall, 3910 N. Damen in Chicago. Chauncey, accompanied by Lotter's expert accordion playing, lead the group in an old-fashioned camp dining hall program of which the most popular set was the "Lower Lake Medley".



We're looking for...Bredo Rost who was ranger at Camp Ft. Dearborn in the '50s. If anyone knows of his whereabouts, please drop us a line at our PO Box.

Roger Humphreville is adjusting to a new lifestyle of suit, tie and attache case these days as he has been recently employed by Amoco Production Co., International in Houston as a Petroleum Geologist. He's been assigned to

GRAPEVINE, continued...

the Far East Division and currently is studying the geology of that region. Roger recently graduated from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University in Blacksburg, Virginia, with a Master of Science degree in Geology. His undergrad degree was from the University of Chicago. "Hump" worked on the Wolverine North "ZAP" staff from 1972 through 1975 in Scoutcraft and as a commissioner. He's an Eagle Scout, was voted "WN Staffman of The Year" in 1975, and was an outstanding performer on probably one of the best camp Order of the Arrow ceremonial teams. We wish him the best of luck and good fortune!

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Congratulations, best wishes and good fortune to our members who were recently wed: Mike and Mary Kaye O'Reilly, John and Marilee Crissey, Bob and Elaine Pagels, Curt and Mary Cavnar, and Rich and Beth Anne Christopher. While those wedding bells are still ringing, others have announced their engagements: Edgar Wolff-Klammer, John R. Sanchez, and Rod Pezdek to Mary Faye Nedza.

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The Association would again like to especially recognize the continuous and unselfish work volunteered by Bud and Bernice Liden to Owasispe. They've worked on numerous projects but recently on the kitchen cabinets of Hillcrest and Camp Blackhawk. With whatever they have built or renovated, there has always been added what no paid contractor could contribute...love and caring. Some members have decided to "dirty their hands" on only one weekend per year whereas B&B continuously labor and live at Owasispe four to five months out of the year. Such service certainly is a factor in the camp's development, and their efforts have certainly earned our sincerest respect!

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One of our new members, Bob Ward, has camped at Stuart, Blackhawk, Wolverine South and Robert Crown over the last 10 years! He's been Scoutmaster of Troop 475 from Iroquois District for 6 years. He has 3 sons...2 of them eagles and one life Scout...certainly a testament to a fine Scouting family.

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President Jack Norman and Ranger Ed Hoolehan discuss camp matters near the site of the proposed Sauger Lake dining hall.

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A nice big welcome goes out to Ed Brown, a Scouter of 51 years who first came to Owasispe in 1931 and who served on its staff from 1936 to 1953. In 1949, he served as director of Camp Belknap. Ed presently is Committee Chairman of Troop 534, Midway District. Get well wishes also go out to Ed who just came home from a short stay in the hospital.

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Congrats to Pam and Bob Bavarsha on the birth of their 1st child, Daniel John, on October 26th at 2:58 AM weighing-in at 8lbs, 9oz and 21 in. long. It is reported that he appeared with hammer in hand saying, "No way are you going to call me Rebecca!" We would like to thank Pam for cooperating and meeting our news deadline for "Vibrations"!

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A new saying is fluttering through the trees of Owasispe..."It must be the water." It just so happens that Jackie Lowy, Karen Coyle, Sue Sparks, and Marilyn Kulak are all "with child" and are all expecting around the same time in February or March of 1982. Actually, this is all a master plan for the grooming of the 1997 reservation staff! Best wishes ladies!

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Mike Nelson is a new member who comes from the "ZAXIE" staff of '81 Camp Wolverine where he was the aquatic director and staffman of the year. He joined the camp staff in 1975 as a CIT and, from 1976 to present, worked on aquatics...mostly at Camp Robert Crown. Mike is an Eagle Scout, an O/A Vigil Honor Member, and an assistant Scoutmaster of Troop 969. We're certainly honored to have him join our ranks!



Save the special days

On September 18-19-20, the OSA journeyed to Owasippe for its first organized family weekend at Camp Reneker (aka Family Camp). 22 cabins were rented out by roughly 90 people. The chilly evenings precipitated the unanimous use of the woodburners in each of the cabins, however the participants were blessed with good weather during the day. Everyone was pretty much on their own to take in Owasippe's beauty and to go boating, fishing, hiking and, for some, mushroom picking. The only structured events were the delicious and bountiful pot luck dinner on Saturday and Swoop Dellamano's jubilant campfire later that night. On Sunday, some energetic souls trekked to "The Ed Black Memorial Field" at Ad Center for a raucus game of touch football. For all, the northward trip was a pleasant reunion with a special place close to their hearts.

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Dear Editor,

A short note of thanks to all the OSA members who helped in arranging the family outing at Camp Reneker on the September 18th weekend. This was the first time I and my family visited Owasippe and were amazed at the quality of the facilities available. One can easily tell that a lot of work, time and energy is spent by the entire OSA organization in the upkeep of this fine camp. I feel Owasippe should be used as the "benchmark" that all other Scout camps, both local and national, should strive to achieve.

Even more impressive than the camp itself are the people...all those who have served Owasippe over the years. They have given so much. It was clearly made evident at the campfire on Saturday night that Owasippe means more than hard work. It represents tradition, brotherhood and a commitment. Thanks again for a good time.

- Stan Benes



CAMP SURVEY II

Last year, the OSA developed an in-depth poll of the summer camp unit leadership regarding 41 facets of the reservation's operation. After receiving a very enthusiastic response (62%) with plenty of commentary, the results were reported to the Camp Development and Properties Committee, the Director of Camping, the Camp Directors, the Scout Executive and the Council President. We would like to think that this accomplished two things: 1) it acquainted the abovementioned individuals with the objective impressions and suggestions of those coming in direct contact with the camp program, and 2) it provided some improvement over the 1980 operation.

As a result of the OSA directors deciding to make "the survey" an annual project and by request of the chairman of the Camp Development and Properties Committee, the Association has again polled the Owasippe unit leaders. As before, the questionnaire covered the 4 main areas of Program, Facilities, Food Services, and Camp Staff...or 44 individual categories as well as 11 new general questions. The final report is now being composed from 109 responses, a return of 34%!

The statistical analysis and leader commentary will be formally presented to the Camp D&P Committee before Thanksgiving. All the leaders on the original mailing list will get a copy of our report as will those directly or indirectly with the camp's administration. A more detailed study will appear in the February issue of "Vibrations".



The 4th Annual Meeting-Dinner Dance will be held on Saturday, March 6, at the PBA Manor located at 3245 Grove Avenue in Berwyn. Elections for board vacancies will occur. A family-style dinner with three entrees will be served, and an open bar will be available. Music will be provided by "The Good Times". Other presentations and surprises are planned as well. Tickets will cost \$18 per person and will first be available at the Pizza Night on November 27 (see page 1). Phil "Chauncey" Niziol (562-4874) is event chairman. More specifics plus a ticket application will be mailed to each member before year-end...but, for now, REMEMBER THAT DATE!

FALL FIXIT AND WINTERIZATION

On October 16-18, eight members rendezvoused at Owasippe to assist the rangers and post-camp staff finish the winterization project still in progress. Helping out that weekend were Ken Young, John Sanchez, Ron Kulak, Kevin Murphy, Tim Murphy, Gale Stoffregan, Mark Behnke, Mike Schlagel, Jim Roessel, and Dan Rowe who is also a part of the post camp crew signed on only through November. The weekend weather was a mixed bag of pleasant Fall sunshine and blustery Winter monsoons.

Early Saturday morning, the determined crew was assigned to the 17-year old Ad Center roof to strip it of its old shingles and roofing paper in preparation for a new raised roof insulated with celotex. Through the AM sunshine they worked-up blisters, gave the dump truck two flats and cleaned-off the whole roof. However, by noon, rain clouds raced in on winds in excess of 40 mph from stormy Lake Michigan forcing the volunteers to hasten their work and to quickly cover the exposed timbers with huge sheets of plastic.



Squalls raked the camp for the weekend's duration, ripping off some of the covering and causing numerous leaks in the office complex. Because of the ferocity of the weather, they could not repair the covering but could only protect the equipment inside and mop-up the emerging puddles. Nothing was seriously damaged. Once that situation was somewhat under control, their unselfish energies were thrust into shutting-off the water in the Wolverine sanitary facilities and priming numerous newly installed masonite panels which replace windows at Staff Village, Ad Center and Food Prep. So, regardless of the outdoor inclemency, alternative projects were done.

Recruitment for the weekend was difficult as word on the project was distributed late and as countless individual activity conflicts were encountered. However, a promise is a promise, and even though the OSA was not represented by numbers, it certainly was by dedication and hard work.

Camp winterization entails the insulation of all the residences on the reservation as well as Ad Center, Snack Bar, Food Prep and Maintenance. Contractors have already blown in insulation in all the available walls, 15 "casablanca" fans have been purchased for the high-ceiling buildings, and all the necessary celotex insulation panels and needed lumber has been stockpiled for immediate roof installation. The mammoth project, which also includes the Chicago near-in camps, is being funded by a loan from the Chicago Community Trust at 3% for 5 years. However, the maximum allotment is only for what can be accomplished by December 1 not to exceed \$78,000.

As a footnote to all this, the regular staff, blessed with better weather, worked on during the ensuing days to insulate the dried roof up to a large rotted section surrounding the chimney. A carpenter has been hired to rehab this. In addition, it has been decided by the camp management to insulate the cabins from the ceiling on down rather from the roof on up if bad weather persists as it has consistently since the beginning of September (on one particular day, the camp got a 7 inch deluge).

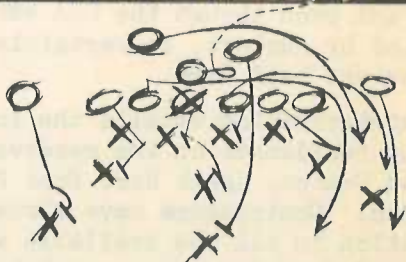
Lastly, on October 23-25, Joe Sener, John Pischl and Bruce "Scope" Kreja journeyed to Owasippe and volunteered their services to the camp. They were able to nail down plywood sheathing on one "village" cabin and completely shingle another. Anyone else wishing to volunteer some time should contact Jim Chandler, Director of Camping, at 782-3990 and identify themselves as being with the OSA.

TO THOSE THAT HELP...



Thank You!

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A LEGEND FROM THE LAND OF OWASIPPE

III. Cushman's Settlement:

This place is typical of many others in the White River Country where people attempted to settle and soon discovered that there was little for them to live on.

Cushman's settlement covered a territory of miles around Cushman's corners. It is located in the northeast portion, Section 21, Greenwood Township, Ociana County. It developed into quite a community, at one time having a population of 250. However, the land proved to be poor for farming and the people were soon "starved out".

A fire burnt down Chshman's place in May of 1930. The cause of the fire is unknown. Lumber occasionally is used for the grim purpose of building a gallows, but at Cushman's stands a tree that was used for this purpose, without being moved from its home. Near the mill site is a large oak called "Suicide Oak". Here Mrs. Cushman hanged herself, using an apron as a noose. She was thought to be insane, No other reason could be found for her act.

There seems to be another story of tragedy connected with this particular tree, but as yet no one has been found who can shed light on the mystery.

When you want to be heard...

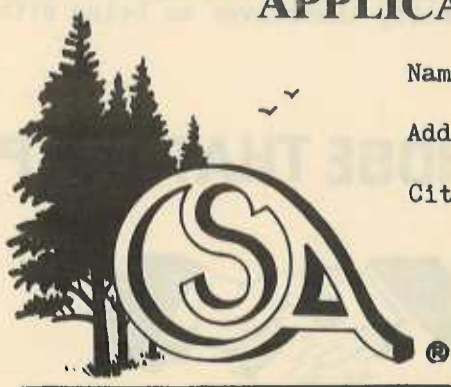
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